

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants : Patrick Barry Hook, et al.  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.